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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q80515

Tetsuo KAWANO, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/801,639

Group Art Unit: 1755

Confirmation No.: 1688

Examiner: NGUYEN, Cam N.

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For: POROUS CERAMIC MATERIAL AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 8, 2005, setting forth a restriction requirement, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-7, drawn to a porous ceramic material, without traverse.

Applicants reserve the right to request rejoinder, if appropriate, of the Group II claims, that is, claims 8-18 drawn to a process of preparing a porous ceramic material.

Respectfully submitted,

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